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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.143

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 7, 2000, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, claims 1-8 and 14-17 and nucleic acid molecule SEQ ID NO: 5 for continued prosecution.

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